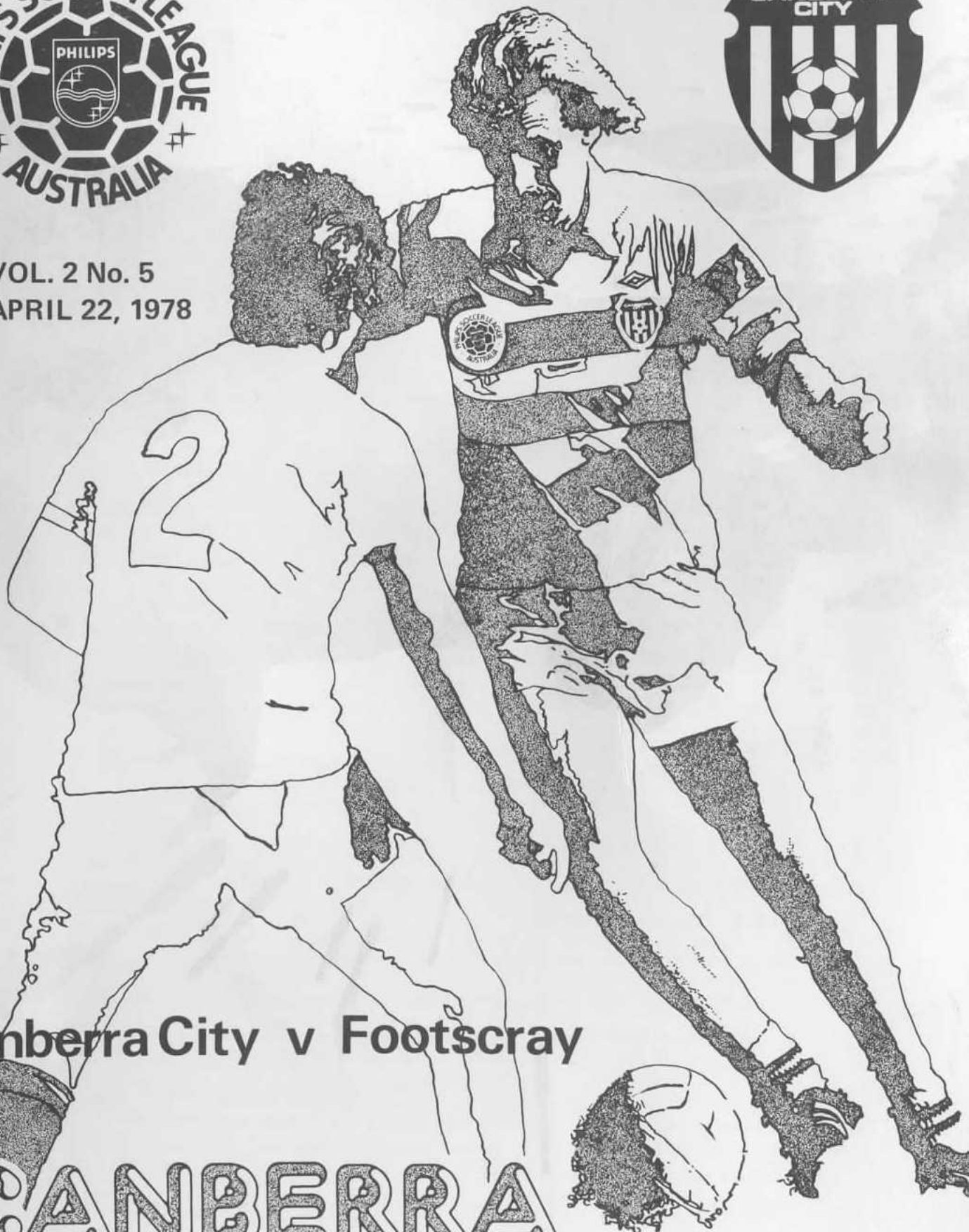




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PRESIDENTS REPORT

I am sure we were all very disappointed that we did not record our first win against Fitzroy last Saturday. A lot of the supporters felt that what the Referee did was an injustice when he awarded a penalty to Fitzroy in the 83rd minute. However, I have talked with a number of the players and they all agreed that Danny Moulis' foul on the Fitzroy player was a penalty.

We do not want in Canberra a repeat of the unfortunate happenings at Little Park last season and I commend the spectators for only showing vocal dissent against the referee. Please let it go no further than that.

The majority of Club members and supporters will know that our first Executive Director resigned for personal reasons. Your Board decided to accept the resignation with extreme regret and it has been recorded in the Minutes. Our thanks go to Hal for his invaluable and untiring work in the structure and formation of the Club. The Board decided to invite Hal to sit in at its meetings for the remainder of the season to ensure the Club receives the benefit of his vast experience in soccer matters.

DOUGLAS HOLMAN
President

NEXT GAME

Next week Canberra City play Brisbane City in Brisbane on the 30th April and Marconi in Canberra on 6th May.

1978 FIXTURE LIST

ROUND 8 (22-23 April)

Adelaide City	v	Newcastle United
Western Suburbs	v	East. Sub-Hakoah
St George	v	Fitzroy United
Sydney Olympic	v	Brisbane Lions
Canberra City	v	Footscray
Brisbane City	v	West Adelaide
South Melbourne	v	Marconi

ROUND 9 (29-30 April)

Adelaide City	v	Western Suburbs
Marconi	v	West Adelaide
Brisbane City	v	Canberra City
Fitzroy United	v	Sydney Olympic
Footscray	v	St George
East. Sub-Hakoah	v	South Melbourne
Newcastle United	v	Brisbane Lions

ROUND 10 (6-7 May)

Canberra City	v	Marconi
West Adelaide	v	East. Sub. Hakoah
South Melbourne	v	Western Suburbs
Sydney Olympic	v	Footscray
Newcastle United	v	Fitzroy United
Brisbane Lions	v	Adelaide City
St George	v	Brisbane City

CANBERRA CITY GOALSCORERS

Ivan Gruicic	4
Terry Byrne	4
Ian Heywood	1
Brian Stoddart	1
Jimmy Cant	1

HOME MATCH ATTENDANCE

City v West Adelaide	6,100
City v Adelaide City	6,485
City v Newcastle (rain)	3,400
City v Fitzroy	5,300
Attendance to Date	21,285

(Total attendance for all of last season, 23,150)

CITY'S RESULTS THIS SEASON

City v West Adelaide, home 1-1 draw.
 City v Adelaide City, home 2-2 draw.
 Olympic v City, away 1-2 win.
 St George v City, away 1-2 loss.
 City v Newcastle, home 2-2 draw.
 Brisbane Lions v City, away 2-2 draw.
 City v Fitzroy, home 2-2 draw.

Last Year's Results

City v Footscray	0-1
Footscray v City	3-0

POINTS SCORE TABLE

This Year

Club	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	7	5	2	—	19	5	12
South Melb	7	3	3	1	10	4	9
West Subs	7	3	3	1	12	10	9
East. Sub-Hakoah	7	3	2	2	12	8	8
Olympic	7	3	2	2	7	5	8
Canberra City	7	1	5	1	12	12	7
Adel. City	7	2	2	3	7	8	6
West Adelaide	7	2	2	3	8	9	6
Bris City	7	3	—	4	9	11	6
Bris Lions	7	1	4	2	8	12	6
Footscray	7	2	2	3	4	9	6
St George	7	2	1	4	8	10	5
Newcastle	7	1	3	3	8	14	5
Fitzroy	7	1	3	3	6	13	5

And How We Stood in 1977

Marconi	7	6	—	1	16	10	12
West Suburbs	7	5	1	1	16	5	11
Adelaide City	7	5	1	2	13	8	9
Fitzroy	7	3	3	1	12	8	9
E.S. Hakoah	7	3	2	2	16	11	8
West Adelaide	6	3	1	2	10	5	7
Bris City	6	3	1	2	9	6	7
St George	6	2	2	2	10	9	6
Sth Melb	6	2	2	2	6	7	6
Olympic	7	2	2	3	7	12	6
Footscray	6	1	3	2	10	9	5
Canberra City	7	1	1	5	4	14	3
Mooroolbark	7	—	2	5	7	21	2
Bris Lions	6	—	1	5	2	13	1



TONY HENDERSON

Photograph: W. Hudson

Players Comment

First of all let me tell you that it gives me great pleasure to be writing an article, in what is considered by many, as one of the best match day journals in the Philips Soccer League. Actually, I may have more success in the field of journalism than I am having on the soccer field of late!

With regards to last Saturday's game against Fitzroy, I think the less said the better. Our fourth draw at home, and fifth in the league, all the signs of a mid-table team, which is something we don't want at City.

We have been so unlucky in our previous games, most of our draws have been extremely close, just missing out on a winner. For example, our last away match against Brisbane Lions, we deserved both points, and would have taken them but for some strange decisions by the referee, one of the worst referees I have experienced for some years. Lack of communication was quite evident between the referee and his

linesmen in this particular match. The referee turned a blind eye to the linesman's flag at both of Lions goals. Despite heated protests from all the boys, he refused to speak with his linesman!

Reverting back to the Fitzroy game, this type of incident occurred again, resulting in John Brown being booked. Apparently the linesman had commented to Roy Stark that two of the Fitzroy players were off side when the ball was crossed, hence our protest. The most unfortunate incident to come out of this particular game was Terry Byrne's injury. We still don't know how long Terry will be out of the game, not for long we hope, as we need Terry's goals.

Finally, let's hope we start a winning run today against Footscray. It would be great to get out of the draw habit at home, in front of our fantastic Canberra City fans.

TONY HENDERSON

TONY HENDERSON

The brothers Henderson . . . a trio of footballing brothers headed (in age, at least) by Canberra's talented skipper, Tony.

Already rated one of Australia's best mid-fielders, Tony must be a definite Socceroo prospect of the future. And the not-too-distant future at that.

Only 24, Tony, like his close buddy Ron Tilsed, came to City from South African club, East London. He had, however, served his footballing apprenticeship in the United Kingdom.

Born in Newcastle Tony joined the famous Blackpool Club straight from school but within five months had joined

the then second division side, Rotherham United. In fact Henderson made one second division appearance, in a cup game, and many, many third and fourth division appearances.

His classic style and great abilities have made him a firm favourite with City's fans.

His younger brother, Ken (23), is also with City, of course (and will probably get a run today), while the youngest, and best known of the footballing Hendersons, 22-year-old Michael, is a regular Sunderland player in the English second division.

You may have seen him on "The Big Match" or "Star Soccer".

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sir,

I would like to offer my sincere congratulations on your match program which is the best in the PSL that I have seen. It is, in fact, good enough to be a club magazine.

However, I would like to correct a statement made in your April 1 issue (unless, to coincide with the date, it was made in jest), under the heading "Welcome to the athletes," Frank Kunz, a very old friend of mine and a distinguished scholar, made the claim that "... this is the first time in Australia (may be even first time anywhere else) that a senior amateur athletic series has been sponsored by and staged in conjunction with professional soccer."

Alas, in this regard Canberra is not the first. Years ago in Sydney several top class athletic meetings were staged before matches and at half-time involving top athletes, raising funds for Commonwealth Games and Olympic journeys.

As for overseas, this was very much in vogue in the 1950s in Budapest's Nepstadion where they held invitation 1500m and 5000m events at half-time.

While in this pedantic mood, I would like to correct another item in your magazine. Under the heading Supporters' Club, you advertise John Warren's "Soccer — The Australian Way." This book was written by John and myself jointly, was published under joint names and both the cover and the inside page clearly indicates all this; it may be commercially justifiable to attribute the ownership to John Warren — but it is neither factual nor ethical.

ANDREW DETTRE

Ed.:— Our apologies for the omission which was not intentional.

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WESTON CREEK SOCCER CLUB

Organised soccer in the Weston Creek district dates back to 1971 when the Club entered 8 teams in the junior competition. Two years later the Club's first senior teams took to the field. Since then membership of the Club has grown steadily with the district. This year an all-time high 36 junior teams carry Weston Creek's white and black colours in games organised by the Junior League. At the senior level the Club is well represented in both the Sunday Football League (second division) and Saturday's Canberra League.

The Clubs fundamental aim is "to foster and develop the code of soccer generally and in the Weston Creek area of the Australian Capital Territory in particular". Since its inception the Club has vigorously pursued the development of broad-based district soccer in the A.C.T. and today proudly numbers amongst its members and supporters soccer enthusiasts with origins and backgrounds as diverse as those of the delegates to the United Nations.

The Club sees Canberra City's entry into the Philips Soccer League as a boon to A.C.T. soccer. We wish it long and successful participation in the National League and hope to see more of our juniors follow in the footsteps of Stephen Hogg, by moving from our junior ranks into the City squad.

The ball boys for today's clash between Canberra City and Footscray are from the Weston Creek under 11 first division team. Last year they were premiers in their age-group and major cup winners, they have begun the 1978 season in a promising style and are determined not to relinquish their top position easily.

Those wishing to know more about Weston Creek Soccer Club are invited to contact Club President Gordon Faichney on 88 4661 or write to the Secretary, P.O. Box 13, Waramanga, A.C.T. 2611.

UNDER 15 DIVISION 1 JUNIOR MATCH

West Woden Juventus

v

Weston Creek

WEST WODEN

T. Morrosin 1, D. McNeil 2, S. Brady 3, L. DeAngelis 4, A. Veloudos 5, J. Kovacs 6, G. Thomas 7, J. Tart 8, I.J. Sutherlin 9, J. Reid 10, D. Smith 11.

Reserves: A. Daley, T. Banfield, M. Fern, T. Presutti, T. Cash, R. Eisermann.

Coach: K. Richardson.

Manager: D. Smith.

WESTON

C. Van Diemen 1, C. Beltz 2, S. Cox 3, S. Crabb 4, T. Belmonte 5, D. Piggot 6, R. Van Kamper 7, K. Lumbruggen 8, A. Giles 9, A. McLeod 10, F. Castanedo 11, G. Rowe 12, P. White 13, S. Ehlers 14.

Coach: B. Piggot.

Manager: D. Lumbruggen.



MARCHING GIRLS

The Canberra and Tuggeranong Marching Girls were first scheduled to appear before our match against Newcastle. Bad weather prevented them marching then. Let's hope for bright sky and bright smiles today.

Information on the two Associations appeared in Vol. 2 No. 3 of our magazine.



NEXT ISSUE

All copy for the next issue must be in the Editor's hand by Monday evening the 1st May. Copy may be left at the Club or with the Editor.



Today's Programme

12.45 West Woden Juventus v Weston Creek Under 15, Division 1.

2.10 Canberra and Tuggeranong Marching Girls.

3.00 CANBERRA CITY versus FOOTSCRAY

During the break the second heat of the Canberra City Athletic Cup will be run.

Welcome

Melbourne Clubs have been a problem for Canberra City since the inception of the Philips Soccer League, as despite territorial advantage in most games, Canberra has consistently failed to pick up points.

Our visitors today, Footscray, are a team founded in 1950 as J.U.S.T. (Yugoslav United Sports Team) and immediately achieved success, taking out the Victorian State League 3rd Division title in the first year following with the 2nd Division the second year, then the 1st Division title coming six years later, since then the State League title was gained in the years, 1963, 1969, 1971 and 1973.

Many other Cup victories have come the Club's way over the years too.

The dark blue shirts of Footscray are a familiar sight around Australia and are well known to Soccer followers as a team renowned for sound attractive football mostly, with the ball played on the ground in a short passing style.

Last season Footscray rammed in 3 goals in the space of 10 minutes in Melbourne while a defensive lapse lost the points in Canberra.

City fans will be hoping to reverse this trend today.

A glance at the League table shows Footscray not too well placed, but with a few exceptions, every game these days produces a tight result and in any case the clubs are bunched together.

Canberra warmly welcomes Footscray as guests who readily came there for a practice game in the hectic formative days of the club and have always shown a friendly interest in the Philips League entry from the National Capital. No doubt our visitors will enjoy the experience afforded by the National Athletic Stadium.

So we are pleased to again greet a sporting team of great tradition and look forward to a memorable match.

THE CANBERRA CITY ATHLETIC CUP

This 2400 metre handicap race series is run for athletes of both sexes on a knock-out basis.

The series consists of 4 preliminary heats, followed by two semi-finals and a final.

From each preliminary heat eight athletes advance into the semi-finals — if the position for the eight is tied (as it happened in the first heat), then nine or even more may be allowed to go on.

The whole series will be run in the half-times of the Canberra City matches or as

part of curtain raiser events. The winner of the final will receive a cup from the Canberra City Soccer Club.

The following athletes qualified so far for the semi-finals.

John Coyle (South Canberra); Ian Galbraith (S. Canb); Simon Fitzgerald (S. Canb); Shaun Holloway (S. Canb); Colin Neave (S. Canb); Robert Caune (ANU); Denis O'Brian (ANU); Steven Brown (Harrriers); David Hobson (Woden V.); Fiona McLeod (S. Canb).

Team Squads



COLOURS: BLUE & GOLD

CANBERRA CITY

- 1 RON TILSED
- 2 DANNY MOULIS
- 3 MIKE MILOVANOVIC
- 4 TONY HENDERSON
- 5 LUIS SALGADO
- 6 JOHN DAVIES
- 7 STEVE HOGG
- 8 IVAN CRUICIC
- 9 TERRY BYRNE
- 10 BRIAN STODDART
- 11 JOHN BROWN
- 12 KENY KAWALEVA
- 13 IAN HEYWOOD
- 14 JIM CANT
- 15 KEN HENDERSON
- 16 GARY PARKER
- 17 GREG WILLETT
- 18 ROY STARK
- 19 DAVID LINDENMAYER



COLOURS: BLUE & WHITE

FOOTSCRAY SOCCER CLUB

- 1 DENIS BOLAND
- 2 ALAN PARROTT
- 3 ANDREW KAZI
- 4 JIM KRIARIS
- 5 JIM KONDARIOS
- 6 MIRKO RUJEVIC
- 7 JOE PALINKAS
- 8 ZOKKI ILIOSKI
- 9 JOE PICIOANE
- 10 DRAGAN VASIC
- 11 MENDO RISTOVSKI
- 12 ZDRAVKO LUJIC
- 14 IGOR HAZABENT
- 15 JOHN MARTIN
- 16 JOHN NICOLAIDIS
- 17 ANDRIJA RISTIC
- 20 LARRY OSTROVSKY
- MIKE O'HARA

***** CLUB NOTES *****

We have it on good authority that the star attraction at your club premises as of mid-May will be ten brand new shiny poker machines so if you like the occasional flutter keep us in mind. Evening patronage has been rather disappointing to date forcing the management to arrange functions for parties not associated with the club. So if you have functions coming up the club is well equipped to cater for up to 150 people. Our prices are almost unbeatable. If you don't believe it call Con Moulis on 48 8917.

We have noticed at home games that some supporters are not familiar with several of our players. To rectify this situation the House Committee has (through the good graces of Manager Coach John Warren) arranged a cocktail party for

members and friends at which all players will be present including our guest player for this season Peter Marinello. This Function will be held at the club premises (179 City Walk, Civic) on the evening of 3rd May, 1978.

Membership is available to interested persons at \$20. These are available at the club or can be obtained from the staff at Bruce Stadium during home games.

If you have any suggestions or inquiries please do not hesitate to contact anyone of the following House Committee members.

George Donda (W) 62 1485, (H) 88 1477.

Boris Kowal (W) 62 1297.

Dennis Moir (W) 97 4440, (H) 41 2552.

GEORGE DONDA

Chairman House Committee

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Horrified executives of our local TV channel were shattered to learn that cameramen recorded the minor game of Canberra City v Fitzroy United at Bruce Stadium on Saturday 15th April instead of the featured highlight, Presidents XI v Celebrities XI. All cameramen involved have been sentenced to 5 hours watching re-runs of 'Little House on the Prairie' and this report remains the only evidence that the game ever took place.

Our 22 heroes stumbled on to the pitch around 2pm followed by a motley collection of reserves, officials, hangers-on, autograph hunters and a few glory seekers. The crowd of almost 3000 (of whom at least 45 were awake) roared their indifference.

Theo Moulis won the toss for the President's side, which was the only thing he won all day, and elected to defend the scoreboard end. He said later the only reason he did this was that he didn't know how many of his players would survive the

walk to the other end.

Celebrities swept into the attack right away and hammered the President's XI goal almost continually for the first five minutes. Ian Myerscough, who plays football better than he writes about it, had the first chance to score but narrowly missed the scoreboard, which appeared to be his target. Brian Pollock (sponsored by Beazley and Bruce), was always dangerous around goal, mainly his own, whilst Johnny Warren and Jimmy Shoulder teamed effectively across the middle, tripping Jack Evans every time he came near. Keen observers immediately noticed the resemblance in play between Dean Banks and Noddy Alston, both of them are offside for the whole game.

Thanks to some good work from John Moriarty and Charles Perkins, the President's hasbeens finally got into attack but George Donda was unable to get his head to the ball. Every time George tried to

head the ball every player on the field would shout 'get up there George'. It was never explained why they did so, but it is believed they were referring to an incident at the recent pie and beer evening held at the Woolshed.

The celebrities came thundering back and even some ungentlemanly conduct resulting in a blue card and 10 push-ups couldn't stop them going one up. Minutes later celebrities scored from a penalty despite Warren Hudson's great effort to save. Half time and the crowd had shrunk to about 2,000 masochists and 6 ball boys. Playing in Canberra City colours the President's slobs were unworried, after all, City go in two down at the interval regularly. Their reactions were typical — PANIC. Theo was kicked off and Steve Doszpot became captain. The walking wounded were removed and fresh cannon fodder brought on. Ron Wilson was shown the football in case he had forgotten what it looked like and Boris Kowl was introduced to the opposition goalkeeper. Meanwhile, Johnny Warren sneaked off the field and denied ever having been there.

Referee, Doug Holman (sponsored by Harry's Gym), started the second half and Steve Doszpot's over the hill brigade spurred on by the fear of having their names published if they lost, poured forward. Unfortunately over enthusiasm cost the Gold and Blues dearly and Stuart Butterworth became the first player to leave horizontally. Glad to say, he soon recovered. Throwing everything including punches into the attack, President's geriatrics scored two quick goals including one from 'up there' Donda. It must be said that John Purnell and Pat Stanley were rocks in defence. They moved just about as quickly as moss covered rocks too. Action moved from end to end and some players were still walking quickly when under pressure. Peter Windsor and Dick Desmond had a private competition to see who could kick goal kicks the furthest, narrowly won by Peter who almost got one out of the penalty box. With John Moriarty and Ron Wilson winning on the wings, Charlie Per-

kins, striking faster than the Builders Labourers Federation and Jack Guans sweeping up in defence, Doszpot's Dregs piled on the pressure and went a goal up with only four minutes left to play.

Celebrities switched tactics and playing with a 10 man forward line came on with a vengeance. Ian Myerscough made a great run down the wing (well a great trot if you must be honest) and crossed the ball from the corner. Believing the ball had gone out, the President's men stood and watched as the ball swung in and was bundled into the net. Goalkeeper Ian Skilling (who was sponsored by his mother), and who had thrilled the ever-decreasing crowd with spectacular dives at the feet of opposing forwards (pity they didn't have the ball at the time) politely advised the referee of his opinion and ended up with a blue card and 10 push ups. Doug Holman advises me it was for dissension (I am not a black pudding) but Ian claims it was for kicking Doug's seeing-eye dog, which I am told is fed on Kit-E-Kat. Seconds later the final whistle blew and the crowd stood and cheered and cheered. I asked the people around me why they were cheering so madly and the told me "because it's over".

So the Charity Cup is still without a name on it. Whether SPORTS TOGS will ever be game enough to offer it for competition again or whether it already lies on Kambah Tip is unknown. The participants (players would not be the right word), seem keen enough. In the dressing room after the game they were already talking about a 4 team competition involving celebrities, foundation members, supporters club, an Invitation XI and maybe even a ladies team. Who knows, it might be YOU out there next time while Garry Green and David Wildman have a laugh in the stand. If you enjoyed the half hour of mayhem nearly as much as the lads on the field, it's a definite possibility.

Best player award was shared equally by everyone. After all, each of them can honestly say 'I played soccer with/against Johnny Warren and Jimmy Shoulder at the Bruce Stadium.

■■■■■■■■■■ FROM THE SUPPORTERS CLUB ■■■■■■■■■■

Mid-Season Cabaret

Date: Saturday, June 17

Venue: ANU Union Building

Music: by "Frenz"

Floor Show: by "Frenz"

Cost: \$22 per double (\$12 single)

Evening of Canberra City versus St George at Bruce Stadium.

Tickets are now on sale at the stall.

Winners of Supporters Club Raffle

Congratulations to Ray and Dianne Huggins, 61 Shannon Circuit, Kaleen, who were winners in last week's raffle. Great to see a Foundation and Supporter Club member share the prizes.

Prizes for this week's raffle are:

1st Prize: Puma Track Suit donated by Paul Anita Enterprises.

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3rd Prize: 2 passes to the Sundown Drive-In, Cooma Road.

4th Prize: Leg of Lamb donated by the Kippax Meat Market.

Join the Supporters Club at the stall this week. REMEMBER: \$2 renewal OR \$5 new members.

Under 18 ACT Representative Side

All proceeds from last week's raffle totalling \$315 will go towards sending Danny Moulis, Steve Hogg, Mike Milavanovic, David Lindenmayer and the other lads in the team to Brisbane in May for the National Championships. We'd like to thank all the boys from the squad who participated in the raffle last week. A great effort fellows.

Our First Casualty

Due to pressure of work and home building commitments, Executive Member, Tomi Hirvihalme has regrettably resigned. Tomi is still offering 100% support for the Club and has been an invaluable member of

the Executive since the inception of the Supporters Club and was re-elected at the last AGM for this season. We hope that once Tomi completes construction of his home, he will again vie for a place on our Executive Committee. In the meantime Tomi will be sadly missed for his tremendous enthusiasm and organisational ability at our functions.

Canteen

We regret to advise the Supporters Club will NOT be catering for your needs any more this season at the canteen. The catering rights have been won by an outside contractor. However, the good news is our resources working in the canteen will be able to assist in other activities which we run at the ground. The bad news of course is that the profits made from sales at the canteen will now not go to our club.

RON WILSON

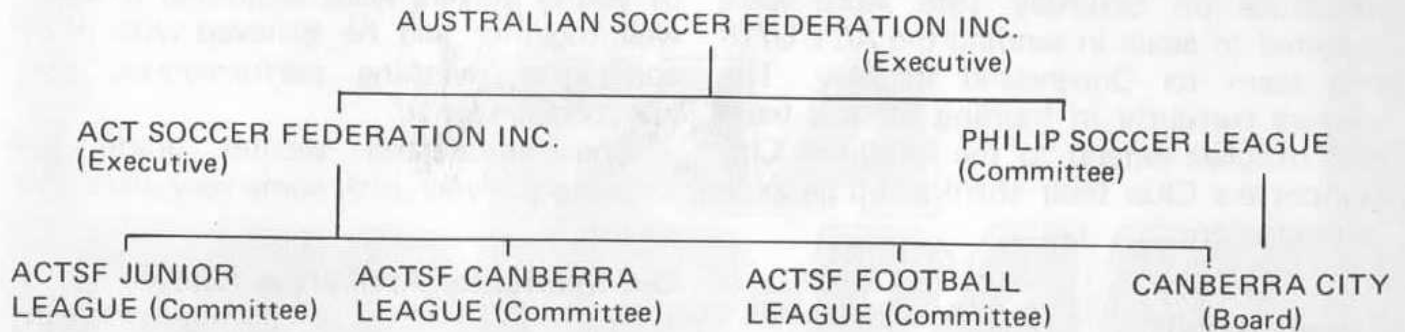
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FOOTBALL LEAGUE NOTES



Know your local soccer

The advent of a Canberra City PSL team has added a new dimension to the local soccer scene. It is therefore of value for followers of our code to possess an awareness of the inter-relationship that currently exists within the local area for the various levels of soccer.

The diagram attached displays the four aspects of ACT soccer of which Canberra City is now a part and shows how they relate to each other and also with the National body. Canberra City has a representative on the ACT Soccer Federation (ACTSF) executive as does each of the ACTSF Football Leagues.

The current organisation of local soccer through the ACTSF has been in existence since 1972 although organised soccer in the ACT commenced some twenty years ago. One of the reasons for acceptance of Canberra City in the PSL was because of the stable management structure existing in the local Soccer Federation. Briefly, the football leagues comprise of:

ACTSF Football League: This is the senior soccer competition in the ACT and comprises a first and second division. The first division has 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade competitions and the second division has 1st and 2nd grade competitions only. All games are played on Sundays and some players engaged by clubs are part-time professionals. Entrance charge is required at grounds on which these games are played.

ACTSF Canberra League: This competition is provided for the purely amateur player and four divisions are provided with eight teams only playing in each. Games are played on Saturdays and no entrance charge is made for spectators to these grounds.

ACTSF Junior League: This competition provides soccer for boys from U/7 to U/18 years old and all games are played on Saturdays. Throughout these age groups there are approximately forty divisions and about 3000 boys actively participating and the numbers are growing year by year.

ACT Representative Team: The ACT U/18 rep team, being coached by Vic Fernandez, is presently undergoing training prior to selection to play in the Coca-Cola Bottlers U/18 Championships to be conducted in Brisbane during 15th to 21st May 1978. Teams from all States will be participating.

On Tuesday 25th April at 2pm on the Hawker Oval, Belconnen, the ACT U/18 rep squad (including four PSL players) will be playing the remainder of the Canberra City PSL team. As a preliminary match at 12 o'clock the City 2nd grade League side will be playing a team TBA.

All proceeds will be donated to support the cost of sending the rep team to Queensland; a visit to see these teams in action is highly recommended.

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE NOTES Continued

Acknowledgement

Proceeds from the supporters Club raffle conducted at the Fitzroy PSL game at Bruce on Saturday 15th April were donated to assist in sending the ACT U/18 rep team to Queensland in May. The players currently in training for this team and officials extend to the Canberra City Supporters Club their thanks and genuine appreciation.

League Results

Results for Sunday 16th April at Deakin Oval were:

Canb City 3rds 0	Concordia Phillip 1
Canb City 2nds 6	Downer Olympic 0
Canb City 1sts 1	Downer Olympic 3

Coach Vic Fernandez said after the game "that in spite of two defeats out of the three games, the teams which comprised of young players were beginning to work well together and he believed with more application winning performances were not too far away.

The undefeated second grade are showing the way with some very attractive soccer."

Our fixtures for April are as follows:

Sunday April 23rd v Canberra North, O'Connor Oval, at 11am (Thirds), 1pm (Seconds), 3pm (Firsts).

Sunday April 30th v Croatia Deakin, Deakin Oval at 1pm (Seconds), 3pm (Firsts), Third grade bye.



LIFE! CANBERRA CITY! BE IN IT!

Do you know how a Canberra City afternoon at Bruce is created? Did it ever occur to you that one afternoon, like today's involves the ideas and energies of no less than 80 voluntary helpers?

What made Canberra City such a tremendous success, is that from the very beginning we had so many enthusiastic men and women working for the Club.

Now that success made us even bigger, we need even more people to help with our ever-growing organisation. In return we offer mateship, fun and a real sense of satisfaction.

We need helpers mainly on match days — but involvement does not stop necessarily there. Some of us work at Bruce only — others, who are able to do so during the week too.

What do Canberra City voluntary helpers do? So many different things, that it is hard to list them. But here is a sample:

We man (or woman) the gates

We sell club gear, tickets, club memberships at the matches.

We sell and draw raffle tickets.

We sell the program magazine.

We work as receptionists and liaison persons to V.I.P.s, program participants,

allotting seats, dressing rooms, scheduling appearances.

We work in the Communication Centre, man telephones, set the score board, assist the announcer, receive and pass on messages.

We help Dennis and his mighty mates cleaning up the Stadium after each match.

We help in the Club, sit, if needed on committees, offer suggestions and do not get cheesed off if these are not always accepted.

We are growing fast. We need another 30 such people: Women and men, young and not so young. Your involvement can be as little as one hour on a match day or as great as you like it.

If you are male or female, and want to be part of it come and see me. I am at the Concourse selling club gear and membership and collecting names on a sheet of paper. I am waiting for you.

Canberra City is Life and Involvement.

Be in it!

BARBARA

P.S. By the way, what about starting a girls auxiliary? Our not so stingy Treasurer or the Supporters Club might even help in due course with uniforms.